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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing on Reimbursement for Detailees

1. On 8 October 1987, representatives of the Agency, in conjunction with representatives of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), the Department of Defense (DoD) and the National Security Agency (NSA), briefed staff members of the House and Senate intelligence oversight committees on section 622 of the Senate Treasury Appropriations Bill. Attending on behalf of the Agency were

[redacted] Deputy Comptroller; [redacted] of the Office of the Comptroller; [redacted] Deputy Director of Personnel; [redacted] of the Intelligence Community Staff; and [redacted] and myself of the Office of Congressional Affairs. Representing the Senate committee was Keith Hall and present for the House were Mike O'Neil, Bernie Raimo, Steve Nelson, and Duane Andrews. [redacted] of NSA was there as was [redacted] of DIA and Al Dyson of DoD. [redacted]

3. [redacted] interjected how Bob Mills, a staff member of the Treasury, Postal Service and General Government Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee, explained that the provision is intended to cover military to military details. DIA would be satisfied if the only change were to define "executive branch agency" so as to exclude the military branches. [redacted]

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25X1 5. Dyson explained how DoD's Office of General Counsel is wrestling with the problem of how to handle the seeking of reimbursement because of the recent Department of Justice opinion stating that DoD cannot demand reimbursement for certain long-term detailees. []

25X1 6. O'Neil asked whether the numbers of detailees varied much from year to year. [] explained that they have not in recent years. Hall opined that the Congress already has information on detailees and does not need to budget for them. He also commented that the drafters are not aware of the accounting problem that would result from the legislation. Andrews said that details from DoD unit to DoD unit should not be at issue. Hall stated that he needed a better idea of the special intelligence problems, i.e. [] opportunity costs, to better argue the case. [] explained that the drafters are considering anyone away from their home base to be a detailee. Andrews said definitions should get around these problems. The terms needing defining are detailee. Federal employee and executive branch agency. []

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25X1 7. The meeting concluded with the agencies having convinced the staffers that there are indeed several problems unique to the military and to the intelligence community which must be addressed. The staffers appeared willing to help convince the committees of this fact. []

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